

**Growth Management Planning Council**  
**County-Wide Planning Policies 2011 Update DRAFT**

**Oral Testimony**

Good afternoon. My name is Peter Rimbo. I live in the **Rural Area** outside of Maple Valley. I am a **long-time member** of the **Greater Maple Valley Unincorporated Area Council** and serve as it's **Growth Management Committee Chair**.

First, I'd like to thank Staff for a good **County-wide Planning Policies Public Review Draft**. Today, I offer **Oral Testimony** on **two chapters** regarding the **siting of Schools in the Rural Area** to primarily not serve adjacent Urban needs. This is an **extremely important issue to the GMVUAC** and to **all Rural Area UACs**. I also intend to submit **Written Testimony** on the **TRANSPORTATION** chapter.

I fully support the excellent **Overarching Goal of the DEVELOPMENT PATTERNS** chapter to:  
*"...protect rural and resource lands."*

Under its **Rural Area and Resource Lands** section I fully support the following **four** policies:

**DP-44** to: *"...reduce the need for new rural infrastructure..."*

**DP-46** to: *"Limit the extension of urban infrastructure improvements through Rural Areas..."*  
and *"...to restrict uses appropriate for the Rural Area..."*

**DP-48** to: *"Prevent ... negative impacts of urban development on adjacent Rural Areas."*

**DP-49** to: *"Limit public facilities located in the Rural Area to a size and scale appropriate to serve the Rural Area..."*

In the **PUBLIC FACILITIES AND SERVICES** chapter under the **Utilities** section I fully support the following **two** policies:

First, under **Sewage Treatment and Disposal**:

**PFS-12** to: *"Prohibit sewer expansion in Rural Areas..."* as this will precipitate a **domino** effect on development.

Second, under **Human and Community Services**:

**PFS-18** to: *"Locate ... educational services and facilities that serve urban populations within the Urban Growth Area..."*

I encourage you to give **careful** consideration to fully adopting these Staff-recommended Policies. They are good. They work. They are needed.

Thank you.

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